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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Patricia DE JONG et al.

Confirmation No. 9646

Serial No. 09/857,796

GROUP 1761

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Examiner Keith D. Hendricks

PREPARATION THAT CONTAINS OLIGOSACCHARIDES
AND PROBIOTICS

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the final Official Action of December 4,
2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 14 as follows:

--14. (amended) A composition for the prevention and/or
treatment of disorders of the digestive tract, which comprises
probiotics comprising at least one bacterial strain and at least
one yeast strain and 40-80 weight % of one or more
oligosaccharides that are non-digestible by humans, said
composition being in dried form.--

Add the following new claims:

--27. (new) The composition according to claim 14,
wherein the composition is in a form selected from the group
consisting of a nutritional supplement, a total nutrition and a
clinical nutrition.